GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:434
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EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTIONS PLAN
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has prepared an `Emergency Support Functions Plan-2004`;

(b) if so, the details alongwith objectives of this plan;

(c) the details of the relief flights operated by Indian Airlines during 2004-05;

(d) the number of passengers and relief material carried by relief flights;

(e) whether private operators have also participated in such relief operations during the said period; and

(f) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

- MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a), (b), (c), (d), (e) & (f):- A statement is laid on the table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO THE PARTS (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) & (f) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 434 FOR 25/08/2005 REGARDING 'EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTIONS PLAN-2004'

(a) & (b):- On the directions of the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) this Ministry has formulated an `Emergency Support Functions Plan-2004` to provide necessary emergency support service to MHA in the event of natural and man-made disasters. Under this Plan, the material, equipment, manpower and services available with Air India, Indian Airlines and Airports Authority of India are offered to MHA during disasters.

(c) & (d):- During the year 2004-05, Indian Airlines and Alliance Air operated 347 relief flights carrying 22192 passengers (including troops) and 622 tonnes of relief material under Tsunami and J&K relief operations.

(e) & (f):- During the Tsunami operations, M/s Jet Airways has operated 35 relief flights carrying 3384 passengers (including troops) & 50 infants and airlifted 53.12 tonnes of relief material. M/s Blue Dart operated 8 cargo relief flights carrying 89.1 tonnes of relief material.